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PRICE 823 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 22. NINGPO, British steamer, 701. Wm. Potts, Whampoa 22d June, General-SIEMSEN & Co.

June 22. DYMENIA, French str., 3,735. Vauquer, Shanghai 19th June, Mails and General-MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

June 22. PEMBROKESHIRE, British steamer, 1,717. WILHELM, Foochow 20th June, General-ADAMSON, BILL & Co.

June 22. KUNG-FAI, Chinese str., 924. Bachean Whampoa 22d June, Japs General-C. M. S. N. Co.

June 22. GLENLYON, British steamer, 1,410. J. Soumer, London 7th May, and Singapore 16th June, General-JARDINE, MATHERSON & Co.

June 22. SAETHE, French steamer, 470. Barque, Saigon 18th June, Rio-ARM-HOLD, KARBERG & Co.

June 22. HARRIER, British steamer, 1,195. F. Grandis, Saigon 18th June, Rio-ORDER CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

22ND JUNE.

W. BREWER HAS JUST RECEIVED

Electra, German str., for Singapore.

Jewel, British str., for Singapore.

Conqueror, British str., for Haiphong.

Boyle, British str., for Yokohama.

Karen, Danish str., for Swatow.

Pan-Pacific, British str., for London.

Diamond, British str., for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

June 22. AMIGO, German str., for Amoy.

June 22. DOG JUAN, Spanish str., for Amoy.

June 22. KUTSANG, British str., for Whampoa.

June 22. VELZON, German str., for Whampoa.

June 22. NORDEN, Danish str., for Swatow.

June 22. DIAMANTE, British str., for Manila.

June 22. JAPAN, British str., for Calcutta.

June 22. BERGIC, British str., for S. Francisco.

June 22. PEMBROKESHIRE, British steamer, for London.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Dymenia, str., from Shanghai-For Hongkong-Mr. and Mrs. Bonham (British Consul). For Mervilles, Mr. and Mrs. Salcedo (Spanish Minister), Mr. Cogordan (French Minister) and wife, Mrs. Cogordan, and Mr. and Mrs. Craven.

Per Gledynd, str., from London-35 Chinese from Singapore.

Per Harder, str., from Saigon-30 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Japan, str., for Singapore-614 Chinese.

For Penang-2 Chinese For Calcutta-Misses Bischoff (3).

Per Don Juan, str., for Manila-Mr. and Mrs. Bascom, Mrs. Cogordan.

Per Boyle, str., for Yokohama-Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Dingley, Vail, Li-Chun-Chan, Lo Che Ming, and S Chinese. For San Francisco-Mrs. Duff, Miss Okeson, Miss H. Noyes, and 612 Chinese.

RETRITS.

The British steamer GENTLE, from London 7th May, and Singapore 13th June, reports light variable air and fair weather with smooth seas throughout.

The British steamer HARBOR, from Saigon 18th June, reports light variable winds and fine weather. On the 20th past, passed a Siamese bark off Fisher Island.

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.

(Corrected to Date).

Zouave.....Cardiff.....Jan. 22.

Coomo.....New York.....Feb. 3.

Alex McNeil.....Penarth.....Feb. 5.

Pactolus.....New York.....Feb. 10.

Stephan.....Cardiff.....Feb. 19.

Reviving Light.....Cardiff.....Mar. 2.

Brigadier General.....Cardiff.....Mar. 22.

McLasson.....New York.....Mar. 25.

Compton (s.).....Glasgow.....April 14.

T. F. Oakes.....Cardiff.....April 20.

Galates.....Cardiff.....April 21.

John Tracy.....L'pool via Newport.....April 21.

Glenruin (s.).....Glasgow.....May 4.

Northern (s.).....London.....May 5.

Lydia (s.).....Hamburg.....May 11.

NOTICE.

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D. GILLIES, Secretary.

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surprise anyone having the slightest knowledge what goes on every day in Chinese prisons. For such is the case that other prisoners are subjected to tortures of the most painful kind, probably a Chinese official would not dare to sign a paper considering this man ill-treated. We do not doubt that now the Consul-General has been made acquainted with the treatment to which a humble servant of his Municipality has been subjected, he will do everything he can to have his wretched condition mitigated.

THE TRADE OF KOREA.

The annual returns of the trade of Korea for the year 1885, recently published at the Statistical Department of the Inspectors General of Chinese Customs, show that the three exports of Korea to the West, the value of which is based on the amount of the imports of the same, were, imports \$1,691,600 and exports \$252,000, or a balance of \$1,439,600. From this figure the sum of \$32,000 is to be deducted for re-exports, leaving the total value \$203,585. The table dividing these figures according to countries shows that Japan stands first, with \$1,747,546, China next with \$310,428, and Russian Manchuria last with \$1,574, these being the only countries with which Korea has trade carried on. The trade of Japan is \$1,722,000, or about equal to that of the other two ports together. The goods, principally great skirtings stand at the head of imports, the figures for the latter being \$18,335 pieces valued at \$9,895, from which has to be deducted for re-exports 50 pieces worth \$116. Then come Jacobs, Cambray, Lavers and Muslin, representing \$1,715,15. After these we have cotton goods, uncolored (chiefly under the heading of cotton goods) worth \$1,103,513 net. Woolen goods, including stockings, flannels, and cambray, appear to have been imported to the value of \$15,382. The net value of metals imported is given as \$72,080, the largest item being Japan's copper \$18,236 (pigs and slabs) \$9,293, and white metal \$13,153. Tin in slabs is credited with \$7,695 and copper slabs the same of \$8,307. The remainder of imports are classed under the head of sundries, the principal items being copper \$10,212, silk (manufactured) \$57,399, kerosene oil \$32,934, raw cotton \$18,511, dyed and colored \$41,505, saffron and safflower \$12,101, matches \$7,303, sugar \$5,905. Unenumerated goods are credited with the sum of \$17,388.

The export of native goods to foreign countries was \$2,357,350, and consisted of cow hides \$32,357, boars \$29,350, hams \$1,114, seaweed \$1,736, rice \$15,801, raw silk \$1,023, shark's fin \$5,215, medicines \$4,783, and saffron. Under the heading of "Vessels entered and cleared during the year" we perceive that there were 229 Japanese sailing vessels of 15,419 gross tonnage, 190 Japanese sailing vessels of European type, measuring 15,051 tons gross and 378 Japanese junks of a gross tonnage of 5,679 tons. The total amount of tonnage of 303 Japanese vessels representing 15,649 tons gross, addition to these the table gives 43 British steamers, 2 Chinese steamers and 59 Chinese junks, and 2 Italian sailing vessels of 10 tons gross tonnage; the total shipping entered and cleared being 910 vessels, representing 157,497 tons. The total amount of tonnage dues and duties collected on these open ports is given as \$145,049.60, total port charges \$1,567.44 for 77 drawback entries during the year. The Germans are the only two foreign nations who have taken any share in the carrying trade between the treaty ports of Korea, the clearances of vessels belonging to the former country at all the ports being given as 74 and of the latter 4. Special returns are also given of the trade at each of the open ports, namely, Kanton, Fusan, and Yen-chen, the total port foreign imports, the value of native produce imported from Fusan and Yen-chen \$7,811, and the total exports \$125,667, giving the net value of the trade of the port, i.e., foreign and native imports less re-exports, and native produce exported as \$95,669. In 1885 this has been more than doubled, the net foreign imports having been \$95,716, the imports from Fusan and Yen-chen \$16,648, and the exports \$115,329, making a total last year of \$115,329. At Pusan there would have been a falling off, for we find that whereas the net value of the trade was in 1884 \$163,175, last year it was only \$93,119. Yen-chen, again, has more than doubled her trade, principally in imports, the relative figures being in 1884 \$27,327,928 and in 1885 \$35,655.

The value of the native produce imported into Korea last year was \$5,748, of which \$3,129 was in copper cash and the remainder in silver. The amount exported was \$375,947, of which \$357,145 was in gold.

FOOCHOW.

14th June. We are having, and have had for the last month, very strange weather: cloudy, any quantity of rain, and very cold for the time of the year. Thermometer standing at 70° to 75°. Strong freshets in the river, with constant high tides; in fact, you may say a small flood. It is to be hoped we are not going to have another typhoon (Observatory reports one east of Hongkong, 11th instant) for which we are not at all anxious, considering we had no means a small one August last.

Mr. Herbert K.G.M.G., Inspector General of Imperial Maritime Customs, arrived here on Friday last, and left again to-day in the revenue cruiser *Ling Feng*. The Customs Authorities have dismissed Mr. Horatio F. Robertson, from the Chinese Pilot Service. Mr. J. E. Neasham, late manager of the Foochow Dock, has received his license as a pilot for this port.

The resources in port, viz., for London, Glasgow, Liverpool, and Oporto. For Australia and South Africa, leave to-morrow (the first steamer for Australia), Mauritius, Tasmania, Patagonia, and Callao, etc.

The steamer *Tamara* has already left here for New Zealand direct.—Mercury Correspondent.

TIENSIN.

7th June. H.H. Prince Ch'un arrived here from his inspecting tour on the 26th May, and started for the capital on the 28th, reaching the gates of Peking on the 31st. He did not go straight into the Imperial City, but entered in a temple, in order to make up his report, which might immediately present that important document to the Throne as soon as he entered Peking. In his memorial he recommended many officials for promotion, amongst whom may mention Mr. Shing, the present manager-in-chief of the China Merchants' S. N. Co., and General von Hamelink, the constructor of the fort and one of the main supporters of Port Arthur. A large number of foreign officials and native were prepared for the inspection of H. H. in this place, and no expense was spared to show him mechanical curiosities, used in the different industries. The Shanghai Lithographic Company furnished a press, and it is said that four native women were brought from the silk districts to show how silk was woven in the South. It is also said that when H. H. came to inspect the fortifications, he was greatly impressed with what he saw, and our native gossip says that this visit will be the last of the Emperor in Western improvement, owing to the ruiten of old China. His Imperial Highness has determined to further strengthen the navy, to build docks, forts, and eventually to open railroads. Well would it be, if he would demolish the military system of practising with the bow and arrow, hitting heavy stones of 300 catties and swinging old iron swords of over one hundred pounds weight. This is a system which is good enough for gymnastic exercises, but not suitable in modern warfare, where a rifle shot could bring down a hundred men, while all the bows and arrows in the world could not reach the assaulting line.

H. E. Chang-yu accompanied H.H. Prince Ch'un from Chefoo to this place. When the Prince came to Peking he induced the Throne to appoint His Excellency to the Governorship of Shantung. Chang-yu is a progressive man, and not averse to foreigners and foreign improvement. His appointment therefore to that important post, and the province in a hundred days, and the fact that the Emperor is as well as the strangers from other provinces and other lands. His Imperial Majesty and their Emperor are at present having their fifth moon holidays in the *pi* Ho, the Nanhai being under repair.—*Daily News* Correspondent.

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PEKING.

5th June. A splendid wheat crop is secured in the North of China. On the 1st instant there was in the West great stress of the city the annual procession in honour of Cheng Hwang. That part of the city was in a great gay, and tons of thunders, fire, and incense, and the people in the streets. Many men, women, children, including girls of tender age, were dressed in red jackets and trousers, having large iron chains round their necks, waists, and ankles, thus acknowledging their sinfulness. The fire may be termed "the forgiveness of sins." It was well-calculated to point out that those who had been in the streets saying *hao*, which is very applicable to all who had committed sins, should be made stamp people.

Immediately upon the return of the Seventh Prince, in the *Gazette* honours are shown upon various foreigners connected with the Chinese Navy, and particularly upon Captain Liang, who has received the mark of the first rank. This certainly looks honourable, and the joy expressed over which the Emperor's father has hit upon.

We expect great good to follow from this visit. The net value of metals imported which have been rendered will no doubt induce the Emperor, if not perhaps the youthful Emperor, on a future occasion, to take part in the inspection of the squadron and harbours of the Northern Sea, (Pai-wei). All the arrangements passed off splendidly, and the Emperor was pleased, and the Prince had a golden opportunity to show his talents received, we say, by the Prince standing. The review of the troops at Tientsin was a brilliant success and the march past would have done credit to any European army. This is the opinion of a competent authority who was present.

The death of Chow Chia-mei, a former Minister of the Foreign Office and Civil Governor of the capital, and who quitted the Tsing-tai Yamen, the Chinese government's retreat of his chief, Prince Kien, is noted.

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"Augustus, I will tell you," she replied, "I am making a scientific frontier." "Ah!" said he, "it is as I thought; I have joined the Scientific Dress Cutting Association, and am making a scientific frontier for myself, so that when we are married you will have no dressmakers' bills to pay." Then carefully avoiding the T-square, escaping the card-board, and being very careful of the compasses, he once more kissed her, and the course of true love again ran smooth—Till-Bits.

HEROIC TERMAGANTS.

Of these there has been a rarely interrupted succession in France from the day of Joan of Arc. The Maid herself was passionately devout and intensely patriotic; and she was a termagant in the bargain. There was a continual combat in her noble nature between the Amazon and the Angel, between the boy and the saint. After the siego of Orleans she was her own Provost-Marshall, and was noted for the barbarous punishment she inflicted on the unfortunate women who followed the camp. "At Rouen she might have saved her life had she abstained from the resumption of male attire; but her enemies were well aware of her incurable propensity to don doublet and hose, and she perished a victim to the tempest in her temperament. The famous Jeanne Hachette, of Beauvais, in Picardy, whose real name was Laine, and who was nicknamed "Frou-Frou," from the unfeeling mode in which she used to ride on horseback, was another tormenting heroine, a true patriot, and the wife of an honest tradesman, Colin Pitot by name. This remarkable female, at the head of a band of women as brave as she mounted the luminous deadly breach when, in 1722, the Burgundians assailed L'Ormeau. With her own hand Jeanne tore down the flag which an inferior force was planting on the ramparts, flung the standard-bearer himself into the ditch beneath, and, ere the enemy was repulsed with heavy loss, she drove the sculls of a hundred and dozen of Burgundians with the broad lances to which she owned her second and glorious sobriquet. That inveterate gossier Tilleul, de Reux, a combination of old Aubrey and Sam Pynche, was a whole chapter of amazons, and used to "historiettes" to the "Femmes V. l'ordre," of his time, telling us, amongst other things, of the Avergnat virago, Madame le Chatoun-Gar de Murat, who always rode "en cavalier" with a steel band round her hat, a long sword by her side, and two pistols in her holsters. She fought several duels with the gentlemen of Avergne; but the last of the combats in which she engaged shortly after she had entered into the state of widowhood was happily cut short by her adversary, who was getting the worst of it, offering to marry her then and there. He was accepted; and she lived happily ever afterwards. This remarkable lady had a sister who was as valiant as she, and was thrice married. She was tall of stature, and her first husband, M. de la Douze, was so amanu as to beat her frequently and badly. She bore these outrages with patience until M. de la Douze, who was many years her senior, became a martyr to the goot. Then she repaid her indebtedness to him with interest by dubbing him liberally thrice a week. One of her favorite evening amusements was to snuff the candles for a wager by firing an arquebus at them; and, if any of the gentlemen her competitors made a better shot than she did, she would utilise the arquebus by cracking her rival's scows with it. Tilleul, de Reux, the Beaujolais usagin of a Madame de Balmont, whose husband was in the service of the Duke of Lorraine, and who frequently commanded his regiment of dragoons. She was remarkable, not only for the tremendous bouts in which she rode to battle, but also for the circumstance that she never wholly abandoned the garb of her sex. She always wore a skirt. To be sure there was only one, and it was very short; and beneath it the "contaminations" of the male dragoon were plainly discernible. Madame de Balmont used to boast that she had killed between 300 and 400 men with her own hand; she once defeated 17 men armed to the teeth whom she surprised in an ambuscade; she fought many duels; and her piety was exemplary, a book of devotional exercises "written by her being still extant. Yet another married lady is cited by Tilleul as having actually challenged and fought a duel with her own husband to punish him for his conjugal aberrations. He but narrowly escaped with life, and became subsequently the most faithful of spouses. Throughout the First French Revolution tormented heroines swarmed. The women who marched on Versailles, the "Tricoteuses" of the Convention, the "Furies of the Guillotine," have made for themselves a place in history; nor should the unhappy Therese de Mercouri be forgotten, whom career of tormenting her husband was tragically cut short by being pounced upon in the "Gardens of the Tuilleries" by a mob of furious "termagants" of her own sex, dragged to the "Terrasse des Feuillants," and there "coran publico" ignominiously scoured. The pique "femme vaillante" of the Jacobin Club went mad soon after the outrage inflicted upon her, and died a maniac, more than 20 years afterwards, at Bedois. The chequered life of a "femme vaillante" has its reverses, as well as its triumphs. During the First Empire large numbers of "viragos" entered the "French Army" as privates, estimated generally by a species of double self-sacrifice, insomuch as they substituted themselves for their sweethearts or their brothers who had been drawn for the execution; but the "viragos" "Vieilleuses" of Proust, 1843, only get laughed at; and the "Communiennes" and "Poteuses" of May, 1870, were shot or transported to New Caledonia.

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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1886. [1127]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1886. [1133]

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SUPREME COURT.

18th June.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. JAMES BURSELL, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE.

KWONG TAIW v. OLSEN, \$35.50.

This was a claim for the value of a quantity of tea, paid by the defendant and for loss sustained by the plaintiff in consequences.

Mr. Bowles appeared for the defendant and stated that the previous day he had written a letter to the plaintiff offering him \$35 in satisfaction of his claim, and he now renewed the offer.

The plaintiff declined to accept the terms of offer, and the trial of the case was proceeded with.

The plaintiff had a sub-charge for putting the defendant in the Kowloon wharves.

The defendant is an Overseer in the employ of Messrs. Dandy and Leigh, and part of his duty was to see that the plaintiff did the tarring properly.

The contract was that the tars were to consist of half of Stockholm tar and half of coal tar, with 1lb. of Portland cement to the gallon mixed with it, and to be put on boiling hot. The defendant had not had time to do this, and was not far enough along to the plaintiff's account this was done because he refused to pay the defendant a square, but the defendant said it was because there was no Stockholm tar in the mixture but only coal tar. As long as he was there looking on the proper mixture was used, but the moment his back was turned coal tar alone was used. Mr. Dandy gave evidence for the defense and bore out the defendant's account.

The differences in the appearance and effect of a coating of the mixture contracted for and of one of coal tar alone, and the work done by the plaintiff would have to be done over again.

The value of the tar used by the defendant Mr. Dandy placed at from \$2 to \$3, and in reply to a question as to the claim for the loss in consequence of the tarring, he said that he had done the work properly, and could not claim for loss in consequence of using bad material.

The cost of coal tar was 15c. a gallon and of Stockholm tar 40c. a gallon.

Mr. Dandy further said that he did not tell the defendant to kick the tar over if the mixture was not right, but said it was possible he might have done so. "They Chinese, the original contractor, was paid by the defendant's man, but got paid by the plaintiff's man, and I have nothing to do with the direction of Mr. Man's men." He said that the defendant was always using difficulties and that he (Choy Chung) had paid him \$2 a month to make things go smoothly and had also given him a watch and an umbrella. His Lordship asked the defendant to give him an opportunity of defining or explaining this statement. The defendant admitted that he had received a portion of the compensation for his services and not any compensation at all.

He did not ask for the money but Choy Chung offered it to him; "I said he did not want it, but Choy Chung slipped it into his pocket and he kept it. The watch was put into his pocket in the same way, and he also received an umbrella.

His Lordship—Did you think it right to receive these things?

Mr. Dandy never asked him for them.

His Lordship—I know, but there are other ways of getting for things besides by words. You get these things and keep them. The only object for which they could have been given to you was to make you a dishonest servant to Mr. Choy.

You were taking pay from two masters. His Lordship intimated that he would take time to consider his judgment.

Mr. Bowles said he did not know if the tars were to go to pay to justify it. It is simply a question of the value of the tars.

His Lordship—There were certain points by the defendant, still they could see very well what sort of a man he was; they could see what his opinions of morality were when he thought he was entitled to money because it was put in his pocket.

22nd June.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. J. BURSELL, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE.

HO HING PO AND OTHERS v. LI TING, \$285.82.

Mr. Bowles (from the office of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon) for the plaintiff, Mr. Holmes for the defense.

Mr. Bowles said the claim was for \$285.82 for damages for trespass on a part of the land of Sir James and for \$30 for rent at the rate of \$1 per day. The plaintiff also applied for an injunction restraining the defendant and his servants from continuing such trespass and the use of this wharf.

The wharf had been in existence some years, and had been rebuilt by the plaintiffs, who were the owners of four junks. The defendant was the owner of the "Tung Yat" junk, and with this junk he had used the wharf by taking from the lot of business and custom.

The plaintiff claimed to be entitled to the wharf for which they paid a rent to Government.

The case was really a test case, as there are a number of shopkeepers, &c., behind the defendant who all claim to have as much right to use the wharf as the plaintiffs. In the first instance a bamboo wharf was built by subscriptions among the parties, which became old and used. Then, in 1878, they set up another wharf, which was carried away in a typhoon, and after that the new structure was put up and it is about this that the dispute arises. The plaintiffs allege that they built this wharf entirely out of their own money. The two first wharfs, which they alleged were built by means of subscriptions, but there had been no subscriptions for this wharf. On the other hand, the defendant and his friends said that he subscribed to the new wharf something like \$300, and this money was received by the plaintiffs and had not been accounted for. They had therefore an equal right to the use of the wharf with the plaintiffs.

There has been trouble between the parties on the matter, for the defendant's party got two junks to work in opposition to the plaintiffs, as they thought the latter were trying to appropriate the wharf.

The plaintiff had 11 witnesses present, including the Surveyor-General, Hon. J. M. Prinsep, and the defendant came forth with 20 witnesses.

His Lordship, as soon as he found the number of witnesses who were present, declined to take the case until the Chief Justice returned to the colony, as he had to wait many hours in hand just to get a date to take a case with such a number of witnesses.

Mr. Bowles said his clients would be suffering injury in the meantime.

His Lordship said the matter had been going on for years, and it could wait a little longer. It was a question of damages, and the plaintiff could claim accordingly, and would recover for the extra damage if he was entitled to damages at all.

The hearing of the case was then adjourned.

POLICE COURT.

17th June.

BEFORE MR. N. G. MITCHELL-INNES.

THE CHARGE AGAINST A DETECTIVE.

Li Afan, Detective P. C. No. 280, was before the court charged with being a member of the Trial Society; his name was Li Ming-chung.

Mr. Wilson, from the office of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, appeared for the defense; Capt. Superintendent Deane watched the proceedings from the bench.

Inspector Matheson gave evidence to the effect that the defendant had been going to the

police court about seven years, and I took the

water police to the trial of the Trial Society.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wilson—*I have known* the defendant about seven years. He was first in the Water Police in my boat, and my first instrumental in his being transferred to the land police, and he has remained a detective. During the time I have known him I have had cause of complaint against him, and I have made complaints. Some time ago there were rumours that he was a member of the Trial Society, and I took steps to inquire. I believe there have also been complaints of his attempting to extort money under cover of the Trial Society, and I know of no other complaint. The trial which was arranged was adjourned, and it was adjourned at about 10 a.m. on 11th inst. It was adjourned before the trial occurred in Gough-street, and some further inquiries were made about it when we came back. In pursuance of the warrant issued on that information I sent P. S. Mann

and a Chinese interpreter down to the house last hour before me, and when I got there they were there, and arrested both of them. When I left I found the defendant, his wife, and 21 others in his sitting room. I did not see his mother there. I did not search the premises, but some Chinese papers were handed to me.

Lau Aloksing—I am a head coolie living at 20, Gough-street. I am the principal person in the house and rent the ground floor. I have been in Hongkong three or four years. I have been a prisoner before, and the charge to me was on the 12th inst. I was called to my house, and he is Li.

He is a head member of the Trial Society. On the 11th instant he came to my house, and said—“Would you like to join the Trial Society? You are a coolie, and we should join; there are several thousands of members.” I replied that I would not, and he then asked me for \$25. I said—“Wherever you go, I have no money, and it is no use for you to disturb my house.” He then went away. This conversation took place in my cook loft, and there was no one else present when this conversation took place. There were three persons downstairs who were there when the prisoner downstairs came in. The prisoner came in—“Wong Sze Hop.” He had come to my house, and they cut him to get employment. I was in the cookhouse, washing my face, and he was sitting on the bed in the main room. Then he came to the front door, and there was a man struck across the buttocks with a bamboo. The man in arm with swords and others were armed with swords and others, and they cut him to get employment. 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